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Mr. Henry O'Malley,
Bureau of Fisheries,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. O'Malley:

I have a copy of a letter to Mr. Ball relative to the trap located in Lucky Cove with reference to Mr. Hungerford's report on that stream. In explanation of my not forwarding this report before to your office and Juneau I would state that the matter was taken up with Mr. Hungerford in a personal way. Just before he left for the Pribilof Islands I was inquiring from him if he had any data on streams and he said that he did have so I asked him to make a report for me personally, which he did in rather a rough sketch and it was copied here in the manner in which it was later submitted, although I did not have it copied until several weeks after it was given to me.

It was my idea that Mr. Ball had all this stream information as he was in that locality for ten or twelve years and it was not Mr. Hungerford's intention to make any report on streams until I requested him to do so. In fact, I had not studied the report as I was holding it to check up against streams in southeastern Alaska when I had an opportunity of visiting that section again.

When you were here and Mr. Hynes' report came in I realized that Mr. Ball had no information on that subject and gave you a copy at the same time I mailed one to him. I did not know that the thing was loaded, which I afterwards realized. It seems to me that if a man is working in a district for ten or twelve years he certainly should have known the streams that harbored fish. However, I am sorry that the matter came up in the manner it did.

Very truly yours,

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